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PATENT APPLICATION

In re the Application of

Ryoji WATANABE et al.

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L. NICHOLSON

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For: POSTPROCESSING APPARATUS AND POSTPROCESSING METHOD

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In reply to the January 17, 2006 Office Action, and in consideration of the April 12,

2007 personal and telephone interviews with the Examiners, please consider the following:

Amendments to the Claims as reflected in the listing of claims; and

Remarks.